

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the patent application of

Richard H. Hall
Serial No. 10/801,773
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For IMBIBED ORGANIC LIQUIDS,
ESPECIALLY HALOGENATED ORGANICS

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Amendment

To the attention of

Group Art Unit 1714
Examiner Matthew Thexton

Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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to the Patent and Trademark Office (571 273 8300) on 21 SEP 2006:

Christopher John Rudy: Christopher John Rudy 21 SEP 2006.

Sir:

Thank you for the 06/21/2006 Office action for the present
application. In reply to that outstanding action, please
reconsider and further examine this application.

CLAIMS AMENDMENTS follow this introductory page.

The present amendment more particularly points out and
distinctly claims the invention, and is fully supported by the
underlying specification. No new matter is entered hereby.

Claims 1-13 and 21-24 are present. No additional fee is due.

Submitted herewith is a PTO/SB/08A + 08B. Please indicate
consideration of the Hall reference, which had been cited on a
PTO/SB/08A + 08B and crossed out, and which remains cited on the
PTO/SB/08A + 08B submitted herewith. It is perfectly proper to
cite such a provisional patent application as Hall, and numerous
examples of issued U.S. patents are available to show this. See,
e.g., US 7059647 B1; US 7043968 B1; US 7025398 B1; and so forth.

As may apply to the present claims, regarding the Claims
Analysis, the Examiner's assessment of the limitation, "organic
spill absorbing material," is respectfully traversed. As noted
on page 4 of the action, Claims Objections, that limitation is a
separate element; it is not merely coincident with the liquid.
It does, indeed, provide a further distinction to the claims.

FURTHER REMARKS conclude the present paper.